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Steamship Company has ordered that all their ships (beginning with the steamship *Dictator* sailing to-day) shall ply between Mobile, Ala., and Bluefields. The sanitary condition of this port and surroundings is good, and so far there has occurred no suspicious case of any sort, the prevailing diseases being a very mild type of malaria, and a few cases of pulmonary tuberculosis and bowel disorders.

## PANAMA.

Report from Colon—Inspection and fumigation of vessels—Yellow fever on the steamship Seguranca—Fumigation of vessels of the Panuma Railway steamship line discontinued.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Mohr reports, July 26, as follows:

During the week ended July 22, 1905, the following vessels cleared for ports in the United States and were granted bills of health:

American steamship Finance for New York, July 16, with 61 crew

and 29 passengers.

Norwegian steamship *Origen* for New Orleans, via Bocas del Toro, July 16, with 24 crew and 3 passengers, immunes, for Bocas.

German steamship Flandria for New York, via Livingston, Guate-

mala, July 18, with 66 crew and 5 passengers in transit.

German steamship *Brewster* for New Orleans, via Bocas del Toro, July 19, with 33 crew and no passengers.

American steamship Seguranca for New York, July 22, with 71

crew and 117 passengers.

British steamship Atheniana for a port in the United States, via Daiquiri, Cuba, with 23 crew and no passengers.

British steamship Senator for New Orleans, via Mexican ports, July

23, with 40 crew and 1 passenger.

The empty holds of the steamship Finance were fumigated under the supervision of the quarantine officer and myself, for the purpose of killing rats. The steamship Seguranca, from which 3 cases of yellow fever were removed, was fumigated in the holds, forecastle, saloon, cabin, and officers' quarters. One of the cases of yellow fever removed from this vessel died on July 24. The steamships Origen and Brewster, bound for New Orleans, were fumigated in the empty holds and living quarters. The steamship Atheniana, bound for Daiquiri, Cuba, was fumigated by the isthmian quarantine service.

The quarantine at the port of La Boca having been removed and the strictest supervision being kept over vessels and cargo from the South Pacific, the fumigation of the ships of the Panama Railroad Steamship line will be discontinued. All the vessels of this line that have been plying between this port and New York have now been

fumigated and are free from rats.

## Yellow fever in Colon and Panama.

During the week ended July 25, 1905, new cases of yellow fever have been reported on the Isthmus as follows: In Panama, 8 cases, 2 deaths; in Colon, 6 cases, 2 deaths.

Several of the cases reported in Panama were brought in from various

points on the line.

Four of the cases reported in Colon, among which are included the 3 cases taken from the steamship Seguranca, were undoubtedly con-